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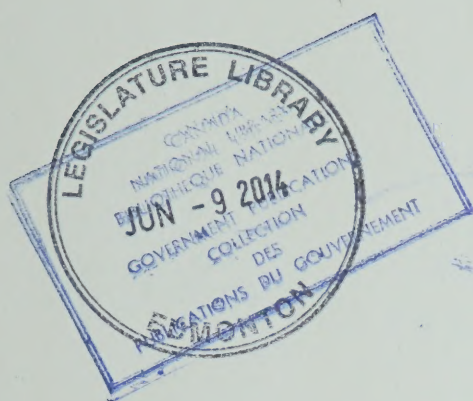
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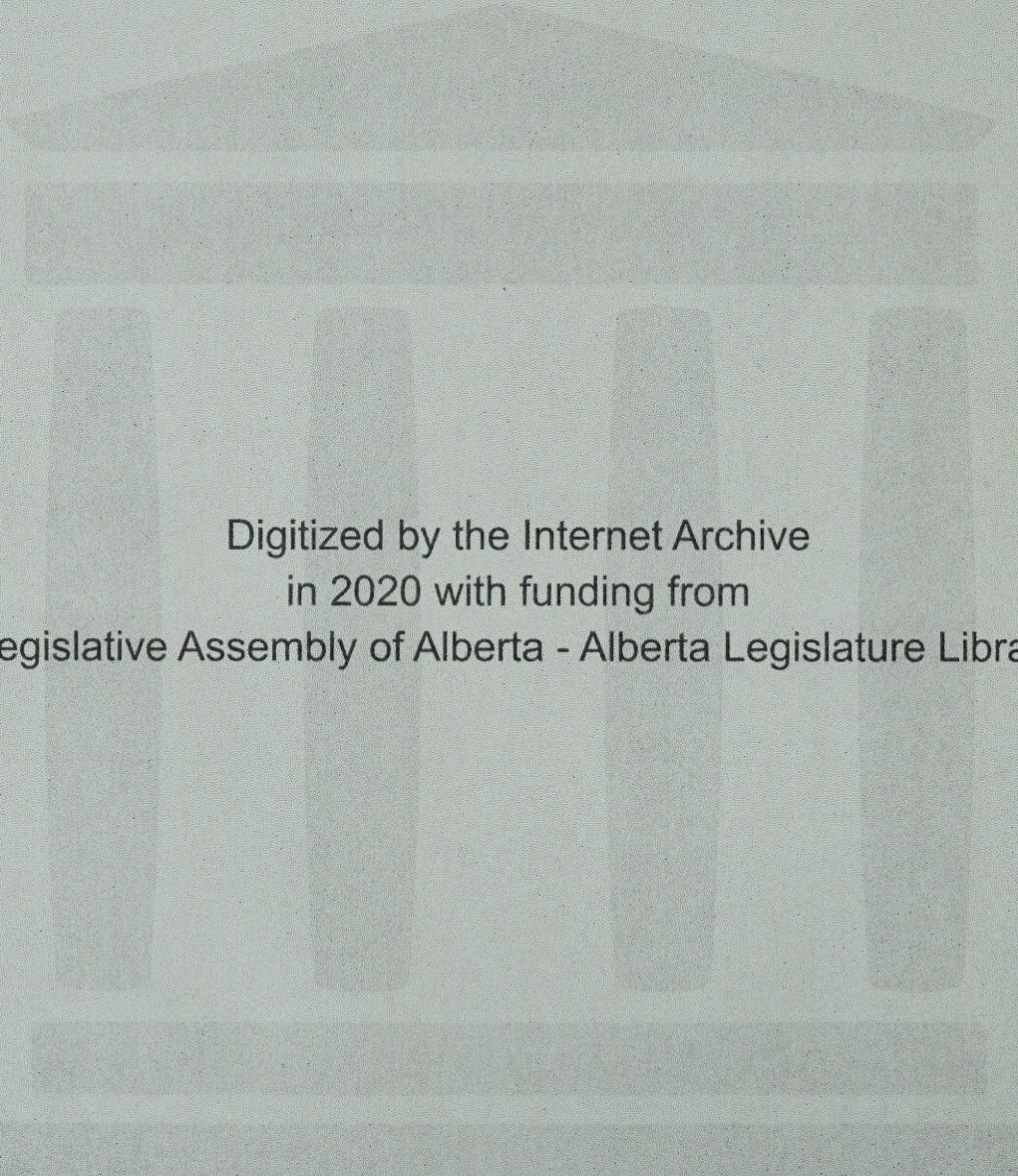
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GOVERNMENT OF THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA

EDMONTON

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The Honourable J. W. Grant MacEwan,  
Lieutenant Governor of the  
Province of Alberta.

Sir:

I have the honour to submit the Report of the Department  
of the Provincial Secretary for the year ended December 31st, 1968.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

A. HOLOWACH,

Provincial Secretary.







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# REPORT OF THE DEPUTY MINISTER

The Honourable A. Holowach,  
Provincial Secretary,  
EDMONTON, Alberta.

Sir:

I have the honour to submit the Annual Report of the Department of the Provincial Secretary for the year that ended on the 31st of December, 1968. The reports of three Boards and the ten Branches of the Department cover the period of the calendar year 1968, while the revenue of the Department is shown for the fiscal year 1967-8.

Of the total revenue of over \$56,000,000 for the fiscal year 1967-8 approximately one and one-half million dollars was derived from application fees, licence fees and similar items arising from the administrative and regulatory functions of the Department. The income from taxation amounted to \$54,577,653.23. Of this total, fuel oil tax amounted to \$49,463,686.21, which was an increase of 7.5% over the previous fiscal year. The insurance corporations tax continues to increase steadily. In the 1967-8 fiscal year the yield was \$3,602,906.70 which was 8.8% higher than the previous year's figure, which in turn was higher by 10.4% than the figure in the 1965-6 fiscal year. The fire prevention tax increased from \$53,602.46 in the 1966-7 fiscal year to \$65,259.42 in the 1967-8 fiscal year, an increase of 21.7%, while the pari mutuel tax increased by 14.7% to \$1,445,800.90.

During 1968, the Registrar of Companies incorporated 3,373 Alberta companies, 18% more than were incorporated the previous year. 352 extra-provincial companies were registered as compared with 325 in 1967. At the end of the year there were 30,164 Alberta companies, and 3,989 extra-provincial companies shown in the Register as active corporate bodies.

The Superintendent of Insurance regulates the insurance industry and the real estate business in the Province by a system of licensing, by investigating complaints, and, in the case of insurance companies, by examinations of the books and records for solvency. The number of insurers doing business in the Province continues to decline (334 at December 31st, 1966, 328 at December 31st, 1967, and 312 at December 31st, 1968), but the amount of insurance carried by Albertans continues to increase.



In 1967, Albertans paid \$84,019,730 in life insurance premiums, an increase of 7.5% from the previous year; they paid premiums totalling \$1,989,777 in fraternal insurance premiums, an increase of 8.33%; and premiums on insurance other than life increased from \$100,345,814 to \$113,997,327, an increase of 13.64%.

The Board of Censors, under The Amusements Act, reviewed 419 feature films during 1968. 58 films were placed in the restricted adult category, 149 in the adult category and 206 in the family category. 1,735 feet of film were deleted from 15 feature films.

The Fire Commissioner is responsible for the enforcement of the Provincial Statutes and Regulations relating to fire prevention, and his staff encourages fire prevention measures, instructs in fire prevention methods, carries out investigations where arson is suspected, compiles statistics, and conducts educational programs in fire prevention and fire protection. I am pleased to report that in 1968 there was some improvement in the fire loss record, with the per capita loss down from \$11.92 in 1967 to \$9.02.

The Public Relations Branch is responsible for the program of Government sponsored entertainment for conventions and meetings held in the Province and having a national or international flavour. The Province is evidently becoming increasingly popular as a centre for conventions. In 1968 the Government assisted 162 functions of this type, compared with 138 in 1967. The Agent General in the United Kingdom is responsible for the Government's Public Relations activities in the British Isles and he also represents the Government of the Province at official functions in the United Kingdom. His office continues to be active in providing advice, assistance and information about Alberta to individuals and business in the United Kingdom, and to Alberta citizens visiting the United Kingdom.

In 1968, a total of 1,143,807 individuals attended performances and functions in the two Jubilee Auditoria. The theatre in Calgary accommodated 343,592 patrons during 1968, which was the equivalent of approximately 125 full houses, while 418,182 persons attended functions in the theatre in Edmonton, about 150 full houses. The two buildings continue to make a very significant contribution to the cultural life of the Province.

The Provincial Museum and Archives Building opened in December of 1967, and thus, 1968 was its first full year of operation. It has proved to be a most popular institution with members of the public, and 308,337 visitors were recorded during the year. Good use is being made of the educational services provided. 529 groups of school children took ad-



vantage of the guided gallery tours offered by the Extension Division. The Bookshop is also popular; 1,917 books and 14,507 brochures were sold during the year. Although the bulk of the material received by the Provincial Archives to date is governmental, it is significant that an increasing amount is being received from sources outside the Public Service. To fulfill its true function it must, of course, be the repository of the records of Alberta, and its people from every walk of life.

The programs offered by the Cultural Development Branch are intended to encourage the average citizen in the Province to take an active interest in the arts in all its forms. Some indication of the acceptance of these programs by the citizens of the Province, and of the progress achieved over the years, may be noted by comparing statistics of 1968 with those of a few years ago. The first Provincial Drama Seminar, 9 years ago, had an enrolment of 30 students; in 1968, the number had risen to 118. The student enrolment at the first Music Workshop in 1958 was 30; at the tenth Workshop in 1968 there were 250 students in the Band and Instrumental Workshops, and a further 51 in the Choral Workshop. The Exposure Programs of the Arts and Crafts Division started in 1961 with a modest exhibition seen by 20,000 people: in 1968, a total of 155,000 visited the travelling exhibitions, the slide exhibitions and the trailer of crafts.

Separate reports of the Superintendent of Insurance and of the Fire Commissioner are published in each year.

Respectfully submitted,

P. B. HOWARD,

Deputy Provincial Secretary.



# FISCAL YEAR REVENUE

AMUSEMENTS BRANCH	1965-66	1966-67	1967-68
Pari-Mutuel Tax	\$1,136,559.70	1,260,059.75	1,445,800.90
Censorship Fees	29,149.00	29,160.50	34,042.00
Licence Fees:			
Places of Amusement	19,457.43	19,767.02	20,739.03
Moving Picture Operators	855.00	1,185.00	1,230.50
Miscellaneous	<u>2.00</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3.93</u>
Total Amusements Branch	<u>\$1,186,023.13</u>	<u>\$1,310,172.27</u>	<u>\$1,501,816.36</u>

## COMPANIES BRANCH

Alberta Companies Fees	\$ 256,849.09	265,957.72	285,446.79
Foreign Companies	54,375.20	55,336.94	58,492.29
Extracts and Searches	<u>18,214.33</u>	<u>35,868.85</u>	<u>41,862.03</u>
	329,438.62	357,163.51	385,801.11
Trust Companies Act	2,342.43	192.00	-
Miscellaneous Acts -			
Registrations	<u>1,719.85</u>	<u>1,792.70</u>	<u>2,091.90</u>
Total Companies Branch	<u>\$ 333,500.90</u>	<u>\$ 359,148.21</u>	<u>\$ 387,893.01</u>

## CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT BRANCH

Registration Fees	\$ 30,282.33	32,833.07	22,306.13
Craft Equipment Payments	<u>1,344.13</u>	<u>1,048.27</u>	<u>1,838.59</u>
Total Cultural Develop-	\$ 31,626.46	\$ 33,881.34	\$ 24,144.72
ment Branch	<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>

## FIRE PREVENTION BRANCH

Fire Prevention Tax	\$ 55,251.64	53,602.46	65,259.42
Lightning Rod Act -			
Licences	275.00	150.00	235.00
Miscellaneous Revenue	<u>27.70</u>	<u>42.50</u>	<u>124.10</u>
Total Fire Prevention	\$ 55,554.34	\$ 53,794.96	\$ 65,618.52
Branch	<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>



FUEL OIL TAX BRANCH	1965-66	1966-67	1967-68
Fuel Oil Tax (Less Commissions)	<u>\$43,113,875.14</u>	<u>\$46,031,572.36</u>	<u>\$49,463,686.21</u>
GENERAL OFFICE			
Change of Name Act	\$ 9,642.00	10,034.30	9,887.75
Queen's Counsel Letters Patent	2,500.00	-	3,700.00
Authentication of Documents	<u>598.20</u>	<u>771.98</u>	<u>806.01</u>
Total General Office	<u>\$ 12,740.20</u>	<u>\$ 10,806.28</u>	<u>\$ 14,393.76</u>
INSURANCE BRANCH			
Agents Licence Fees	\$ 78,240.50	\$ 79,727.00	\$ 78,552.50
Companies Licence Fees	<u>137,608.00</u>	<u>139,455.00</u>	<u>138,022.00</u>
Total Insurance Act	215,848.50	219,182.00	216,574.50
Real Estate Agents			
Licensing Act	3,316.00	4,367.00	5,834.00
Insurance Corporations Tax Act	2,998,915.73	3,312,019.47	3,602,906.70
Miscellaneous Revenue	<u>1,374.98</u>	<u>1,382.34</u>	<u>1,863.76</u>
Total Insurance Branch	<u>\$ 3,219,455.21</u>	<u>\$ 3,536,950.81</u>	<u>\$ 3,827,178.96</u>
PROVINCIAL JUBILEE AUDITORIUMS	<u>\$ 268,231.64</u>	<u>\$ 280,896.49</u>	<u>\$ 319,210.84</u>
PROVINCIAL MUSEUM AND ARCHIVES	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,131.41</u>
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE			
Government of Canada			
Reimbursement re:			
Centennial Grants	\$ -	639,284.94	546,734.02
Fitness & Amateur Sport	11,810.29	3,738.93	-
Profit on Sale of Fuel Oil Dye	14,811.46	-	-
Reimbursement of Salaries			
and Expenses	10,143.53	8,351.39	8,062.75
Miscellaneous	<u>2,570.77</u>	<u>1,759.00</u>	<u>7,485.39</u>
Total Miscellaneous Revenue	<u>\$ 39,336.05</u>	<u>\$ 653,134.26</u>	<u>\$ 562,282.16</u>
Total Revenue, Department of the Provincial Secretary	<u>\$48,260,343.07</u>	<u>\$52,270,356.98</u>	<u>\$56,169,355.95</u>



# ACCOUNTANTS EXPERIENCE

## APPRAISAL BOARD

### THE ALBERTA CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS ACT

During the calendar year 1968 the Board held two meetings.  
Applications received during the year were dealt with as follows:-

(a) Applications received		13
(b) Applicants certified	5	
(c) Approvals withheld	3	
(d) Rejected unconditionally	5	
(e) Withdrawn	-	
(f) Incompletely documented	-	
	<u>13</u>	<u>13</u>

Total number of applications received to date have been  
dealt with in the following manner:-

(a) Applications received		254
(b) Applicants certified	119	
(c) (i) Approval withheld pending further experience	54	
(ii) Approval withheld pending residence in Province	2	
(d) Rejected unconditionally	60	
(e) Withdrawn	2	
(f) Incompletely documented	17	
	<u>254</u>	<u>254</u>



## ALBERTA HOUSE

The Agent General is the Government's official representative at official functions in the United Kingdom. He provides advice and assistance to visitors and emigrants travelling to and from Britain and Alberta and commercial interests wishing to locate or do business in Alberta. The British Government and official and semi-official agencies such as Banks, Chambers of Commerce and the Canadian Immigration Service and Information Bureau use Alberta House as a source of statistical and other information on the Province. Residents of Alberta enlist the assistance of the Agent and his staff in clearing up problems relating to vital statistics, the settlement of estates, tracing missing persons and similar matters.



## AMUSEMENTS BRANCH

The Amusements Branch is responsible for the inspection of places of amusement to ensure that regulations governing public safety are carried out, the licensing of such places, the collection of pari mutuel tax at race meetings and the censorship of motion pictures.

### CENSORSHIP

The Board of Censors must approve and classify every motion picture film before it is exhibited to the public in the Province, with the exception of non fiction films owned by schools, universities or departments of government.

During the calendar year 1968 the Board received 864 first print standard (35mm and 70mm) subjects and 1,028 first print narrow gauge (16mm) subjects. This includes features, featurettes, shorts, trailers, advertising and news.

### FEATURE FILM CLASSIFICATION

First print, full length feature films, including those submitted by film societies, religious groups and other associations were classified as follows:-

	<u>Family</u>	<u>Adult</u>	<u>Adult - not suit- able for Children</u>	<u>Restricted Adult</u>	<u>Rejected</u>	<u>Total</u>
70mm. and 35mm.	148	103	38	56	6	351
16mm.	58	7	1	2	0	68
Total First Print Feature Films	206	110	39	58	6	419



<u>Origin</u>	<u>Films</u>	<u>Reels</u>	<u>Eliminations</u>	<u>Rejections</u>
Argentinean	1	9	-	-
British	82	472	256'10f from 3	-
British-Italian	4	24	-	-
Bulgarian	1	8	-	-
Canadian	14	24	-	-
Chinese	25	256	-	-
Czechoslovakian	2	10	-	-
Danish	6	29	-	-
Egyptian	2	15	-	-
Franco-Italian	18	124	-	-
Franco-Mexican-Italian	2	11	-	-
French	16	108	-	-
German	38	204	-	-
Greek	5	29	-	-
Indian	1	9	-	-
Irish	1	9	-	-
Italian	31	199	-	-
Italian-American	1	10	-	-
Japanese	17	118	-	-
Mexican	2	8	-	-
Polish	12	63	-	-
Russian	3	17	-	-
Scottish	6	15	-	-
Sicilian	2	13	-	-
South American	1	10	-	-
Spanish	6	44	-	-
Spanish-French	2	9	-	-
Spanish-German	2	9	-	-
Spanish-Italian	9	58	-	-
Spanish-Italian-German	1	11	-	-
Swedish	5	21	2' 9f from 1	-
Swedish-French	1	9	-	-
Swiss	2	9	-	-
Urdu	1	12	-	-
United States	<u>542</u>	<u>1,973</u>	<u>1475'13f from 11</u>	<u>6</u>
	<u>864</u>	<u>3,949</u>	<u>1735' Of from 15</u>	<u>6</u>



Narrow gauge 16mm film including first print educational, documentary, dramatic, religious and advertising subjects, were dealt with as follows:-

	<u>Films</u>	<u>Reels</u>
British	27	256
British-Spanish	1	11
Czechoslovakian	2	10
Dutch	1	9
Franco-Italian	3	26
Franco-Italian-Spanish	2	17
French	7	65
German	11	90
Hindi	7	96
Indian	5	59
Irish	1	9
Italian	8	94
Japanese	3	29
Netherlandian	1	7
Portuguese	1	10
South American	1	10
Spanish	1	3
Spanish-Italian	2	18
Spanish-Italian-German	2	13
Urdu	1	10
Venezuelan	1	3
United States and Canada	940	3,211
	<u>1,028</u>	<u>4,056</u>

Most narrow gauge films submitted by film exchanges are 16mm. versions of films already classified in 35mm. versions and are consequently classified and cut where necessary in the same manner as the 35mm. versions. It was necessary to review 7 only narrow gauge features that had not been previously classified and none was cut.

Complaints were received that trailers advertising "Adult" and "Restricted Adult" films were offensive when seen on the same program as "Family" films. Trailers are now cut wherever possible, so that they are acceptable to any class of audience; those which cannot be cut are classified in the same manner as feature films. During 1968, 55 trailers were cut to allow them to be exhibited with "Family" programs.

During the 1968 calendar year 35mm and 70mm subjects totalled 864 (3,949 reels) as compared with 923 (3,962 reels) in 1967, being a decrease of 6.39% (59) in the number of subjects and .33% (13) in the number of reels.

16mm subjects received in 1968 totalled 1,028 (4,056 reels) compared with 1,015 (4,203 reels) in 1967, an increase of 1.28% (13) in the number of subjects and 3.49% (147) in the number of reels.



## INSPECTION OF PLACES OF AMUSEMENT

### THE ERECTION, OPERATION AND PUBLIC SAFETY OF PLACES OF AMUSEMENT

<u>New Construction</u>	<u>1967</u>	<u>1968</u>
Number of plans approved	26	45
Certificates of Compliance issued for new buildings	33	26
<u>Building Inspections</u>		
Certificates of Compliance withdrawn	0	1
Number of amusement building inspections carried out	244	291
Number of theatre projection rooms inspected	37	47
<u>Recommendations made in Inspection Reports</u>		
Re: Electrical Wiring	54	73
Re: Fire prevention	140	169
Re: Public safety	225	311
Re: Miscellaneous	77	93
Re: Projector repairs	41	58
Re: Structure (Arenas only)	4	15
Number of inspections where no recommendations were made	48	25
Number of buildings in planning or construction stage	71	61

During the year seven new theatres were opened in the Province.

### FIRE LOSSES REPORTED

January 4	-	Arena and Curling Rink, Nanton	-	total loss
February 7	-	Ukrainian Orthodox Hall, Redwater	-	total loss
February 24	-	Consort Arena, Consort	-	total loss
April 22	-	Aurora Theatre, Athabasca	-	total loss
June 19	-	Lacombe Arena, Lacombe	-	total loss

The total estimated replacement cost of buildings destroyed is \$610,000.00. All fires occurred while the buildings were closed and empty and no casualties resulted.

### PROJECTIONISTS - EXAMINATIONS AND LICENCES

Forty-one candidates (an increase of 6 over 1967) sat for examination for projectionist licences during the year. Of these, two failed. Three were given a lower class licence than that written for. 121 licences of all classes were issued. No licences were suspended or revoked.



### PARI MUTUEL TAX

The Amusements Act imposes a tax of 5% of the total amount wagered at race tracks through the pari mutuel system and the Branch is responsible for the collection of this tax.

Pari mutuel betting for the three years 1966 to 1968 is shown as follows:-

	<u>Total amount wagered</u>		
	<u>1966</u>	<u>1967</u>	<u>1968</u>
Calgary	\$ 8,978,554	\$10,336,920	\$11,449,835
Edmonton	15,823,106	18,066,441	22,175,418
Lethbridge	434,382	568,434	422,787
Elsewhere	<u>44,672</u>	<u>67,468</u>	<u>75,295</u>
	<u>\$25,280,714</u>	<u>\$29,039,263</u>	<u>\$34,123,335</u>

### LICENSING OF PLACES OF AMUSEMENT

Licences issued in 1968, with comparative figures for 1967 shown, were as follows:

	<u>1967</u>	<u>1968</u>
Entertainment Hall Licences	1,014	1,021
Motion Picture Theatre Licences	190	197
Film Exchange Licences	11	14
Travelling Amusement, Carnival, Circus		
Non-Resident Travelling Orchestra Licences	132	163
Special Feature Film Licences	<u>68</u>	<u>84</u>
	<u>1,415</u>	<u>1,479</u>



## COMPANIES BRANCH

The Registrar of Companies, who is also the Registrar of Credit Unions, is the official charged with the responsibility under a number of statutes for the incorporation and the registration of companies, societies associations etc. These statutes include:-

The Companies Act  
The Cemetery Companies Act  
The Religious Societies Lands Act  
The Societies Act  
The Credit Union Act  
The Co-operative Associations Act.

The following table shows the number of incorporations of Alberta Companies and the number of registrations of extra-provincial companies under The Companies Act, during the calendar year 1968 with comparisons for the years 1966 and 1967.

	<u>1966</u>	<u>1967</u>	<u>1968</u>
Alberta Companies incorporated .....	2,696	2,849	3,373
Extra-provincial Companies registered .....	269	325	352

Certificates issued under The Companies Act in 1968 included the following:-

Registrations of mortgages, deeds of trust etc. ....	855
Increases in authorized capital .....	125
Reductions in authorized capital .....	38
Capital reorganizations .....	88
Changes in objects .....	96
Changes in corporate name .....	428
Amalgamations (Alberta Companies) (94 companies involved)	29
Amalgamations (Extra-provincial Companies) (34 companies involved) .....	25
Changes in Registered Office .....	484
Conversions (Public Company to Private Company) .....	12
Conversions (Private Company to Public Company) .....	16
Certificates of Good Standing .....	1,912



Incorporation certificates were issued under other statutes as follows:-

	<u>1966</u>	<u>1967</u>	<u>1968</u>
The Co-operative Associations Act ...	31	36	46
The Credit Union Act .....	1	4	2
The Cemetery Companies Act .....	0	0	0
The Religious Societies Lands Act ...	18	22	18
The Societies Act .....	226	257	294

At December 31st, 1968, the following active corporate bodies were on the register:-

Alberta Companies .....	30,164
Extra-provincial Companies .....	3,989
Co-operative Associations .....	996
Credit Unions .....	274
Cemetery Companies .....	226
Religious Societies .....	1,118
Societies .....	3,628

Corporate bodies dissolved or struck off the register and restored to the register in the year were as follows:-

	<u>Dissolved or Struck off register</u>	<u>Restored to Register</u>
Alberta Companies .....	1,287	16
Extra-provincial Companies .....	133	10
Religious Societies .....	3	none
Societies .....	152	6
Co-operatives .....	2	none
Credit Unions .....	7	none
Cemetery Companies .....	none	none

The following comparative table shows the number of incorporations and registrations of oil, gas and drilling companies (included in the above figure).

	<u>1966</u>	<u>1967</u>	<u>1968</u>
Alberta Companies Incorporated .....	69	66	117
Extra-provincial Companies .....	<u>24</u>	<u>33</u>	<u>50</u>
	93	99	167



## CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT BRANCH

The programs offered by the Branch are intended to encourage the average citizen in the Province to take an active interest in the arts so that he may make better use of his leisure time, and also, so that he may realize some of his potential as an individual. Few artistic programs are financially self-supporting. Most would not exist if they did not receive substantial support from private patrons and the Government, as well as from the public at large.

The Branch carries out its program -

- (a) by affording financial assistance to library boards, symphony orchestras, art galleries, theatre groups, and drama and music festival committees, and to other organizations engaged in cultural activities;
- (b) by providing courses of instruction and technical assistance to instructors and performers in music, drama, and arts and crafts, principally by means of workshops held throughout the year;
- (c) by providing scholarships to talented young people; and
- (d) by encouraging and assisting performing groups to bring live performances to places in the Province they would not otherwise be able to visit.

Some indication of the relatively high level of development of the arts in the Province is to be found in the increasing use of professional performers, especially in the orchestras, theatre companies, and opera and ballet companies in Calgary and Edmonton.

### SCHOLARSHIPS

	<u>Number</u>			<u>Amount</u>		
	<u>1966</u>	<u>1967</u>	<u>1968</u>	<u>1966</u>	<u>1967</u>	<u>1968</u>
Crafts	17	13	16	2,900.00	2,400.00	3,550.00
Visual Arts	19	24	26	4,600.00	5,100.00	6,450.00
Drama	20	26	31	7,500.00	9,600.00	9,550.00
Dance	45	44	42	5,000.00	7,500.00	7,500.00
Library	14	16	20	7,000.00	7,500.00	10,000.00
Music	<u>62</u>	<u>88</u>	<u>88</u>	<u>10,534.00</u>	<u>15,000.00</u>	<u>14,750.00</u>
	<u>177</u>	<u>211</u>	<u>223</u>	<u>37,534.00</u>	<u>47,100.00</u>	<u>51,800.00</u>



## GRANTS

	<u>1966</u>	<u>1967</u>	<u>1968</u>
Grants to Organizations	69,406.05	63,604.40	104,379.75
Grants to Libraries			
Regional	28,578.80	50,043.75	48,895.50
Municipal	80,907.25	170,734.25	184,392.75
Community	<u>19,660.53</u>	<u>21,692.55</u>	<u>23,070.28</u>
	<u>198,552.63</u>	<u>306,074.95</u>	<u>360,738.28</u>

## ARTS AND CRAFTS DIVISION

The aspect of the Arts and Crafts Division activities which comes to the attention of most residents in the Province is its exposure or travelling exhibition program. During 1968, there were 29 exhibitions consisting of 729 works of art on tour in the Province, and these were seen by over 58,000 individuals in the 127 individual stopping places throughout the Province. An exhibition consisting of 60 paintings chosen from 300 submitted by amateur painters as entries in a competition were exhibited at 12 major centres. A textile exhibition made up of block printed, screen printed and batik wall hangings and yardage prepared by three well-known Alberta craft-women was seen in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and British Columbia, as well as in Alberta. 101 slide collections are now available for distribution. 413 showings were requested during the year, and were attended by approximately 18,000 people bringing the total attendance at slide exhibitions since 1963 to 78,000. The Division's own trailer, acquired in 1967, exhibited a limited number of representative craft items to a large number of small centres. The trailer made 116 stops in 108 communities, and was seen by approximately 79,000 individuals during the 140 days it was on tour. On the average, the trailer was seen by 63 visitors per hour, and 530 each day. In the Division's training and instruction program, 15 basic and advanced courses were offered. Representatives of the Division attended 26 workshops as advisers or instructors and in this way were able to assist 296 individuals representing 52 communities.

Under the program of interest free loans for the acquisition of craft equipment, 5 communities were able to purchase equipment worth almost \$2,000.00.



## DRAMA DIVISION

The 9th Annual Provincial Drama Seminar was held in Drumheller in August. The 1st Seminar, nine years ago, had an enrolment of 30 students and 2 staff members only were needed. In 1968, the students numbered 118 from 14 Alberta communities, 2 British Columbia communities, and 1 from the Northwest Territory. The staff was assisted by the Broadway actress, Mildred Dunnoek.

The Division held workshops in schools in the Province, and on 4 occasions, gave instruction in creative drama. There were two workshops in acting, two in speech, and two in production techniques. In the workshops for community drama groups, two were in creative drama, three in acting, two in speech, one in makeup, three in musical theatre, and three in directing. 553 individuals attended the community workshops representing 19 Alberta communities.

There were 14 entries in the second high school playwriting competition, which is intended to be an annual event, and 5 entries were judged good enough to receive awards. For the 9th successive year, the Division held a high school drama festival. With financial support from the Government, festivals were held in 9 zones. The One Act Adult Festival was held this year in Edmonton.

## LIBRARIES DIVISION

The purpose of this division is to encourage the extension of some form of public library service to all communities in the Province, and to offer support and encouragement to all libraries so that their standard of performance and usefulness may be increased.

Scholarships in Librarianship were awarded to 20 individuals from the Province studying for the degree of Bachelor of Library Science. 14 students completed the 9th Library Custodian's course, and 16 more have embarked on the correspondence course. A total of 175 people have now taken the course of instruction offered by the Branch. Assistance to those responsible for the running of libraries in rural areas is offered in the form of book lists recommending Canadian work for children and young adults. During the year, 3 more libraries were established - Municipal Libraries at the Town of Manning and at the Village of Czar, and a new Community Library in the Village of Thorsby. The total public libraries in the Province is now 156 made up of

- 1 Regional Library
- 1 County Library
- 68 Municipal Libraries
- 86 Community Libraries



New Library Buildings were opened at Banff and Manning. It will be observed that well over half the number of libraries in the Province are Community Libraries. It is evident that a higher standard of service to the individual citizen of the Province could be achieved if the emphasis were placed on the establishment of a network of Regional Libraries, whose co-operative activities could open up to each resident the book resources of the entire Province.

#### MUSIC DIVISION

This Division occupies itself with the encouragement and development of instrumental, choral, and educational music programs within the Province.

(a) Instrumental Music

The object here is not to produce instrumentalists who might become professional performers, although this has not infrequently occurred in the past, but rather to encourage citizens, young and old alike, to accept performers and music as part of a normal cultural life. During 1968, the Branch conducted two workshops for piano teachers and students, and 74 individuals attended. There were five workshops for elementary school teachers, designed to assist school teachers in classroom situations. 526 instrumentalists attended weekend band workshops held in Wetaskiwin and Red Deer. 61 visits were made by instrumentalists from the 2 major orchestras and the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry Band to schools in the Province to give instrumental clinics, and well over 1,000 instrumentalists benefitted from the group lessons. The summer workshop was held in Camrose from July 14th to August 10th, and 250 instrumentalists participated in the 3 bands and 2 orchestras which were organized as part of the workshop instruction. 3 workshops were organized in co-operation with the Drama Division, in Peace River, Medicine Hat and Edmonton, and 113 performers benefitted from the instruction in musical theatre operation and performing.

(b) A Choral Directors' workshop was held in Camrose as part of the summer instrumental workshop and a total of 51 community church choir directors and school teachers attended one or other of the two courses of 8 days each.

(c) The program of providing special symphony concerts for the benefit of school children was continued in 1968 assisted by the Branch and two concerts each were presented in Calgary and Edmonton, at which a total of 10,800 rural school students were exposed to symphony music, many of them for the first time. The hundreds of letters of appreciation from school students and from staff and the general public indicate that the program is very successful.



- (d) The Branch offered a correspondence course in the theory of music for the first time in the Spring of 1968, and there was an enrolment of 68.
- (e) The Branch has an extensive library of band, orchestral, ensemble, solo, recorder and choral music which it offers to school and community bands, orchestras and instrumentalists on a short term basis so that borrowers can investigate new music with a view to eventual purchase. Catalogues are available in the main categories.

#### PERFORMING ARTS ON TOUR

Funds have been provided for tours to enable properly qualified artists in the Province an opportunity to perform and to enable communities that would not normally have the opportunity to do so the benefit of seeing and hearing live performances. It has been the responsibility of the local community to provide a theatre or hall, local publicity and organization, and the Government has arranged the itinerary, provided posters and programs and financial assistance.

The Calgary Philharmonic Orchestra visited 5 centres in the southern portion of the Province in November 1968, and performed school concerts during the day, and concerts for the public in the evening. In March, 1968, the Edmonton Symphony Orchestra performed concerts in 5 school districts. Assistance was also given to shorter tours by a string quartet, a flautist, and a harpsichordist. There was the usual Spring tour of the mixed chorus of the University of Alberta to 5 towns in the Province. The Banff School of Fine Arts was assisted in its opera and musical comedy performances in St. Paul, Edmonton, and Calgary, and the Folk Arts Council made a tour in the north country in December, 1968.

Assistance was also given to the Children's Theatre Company of the Calgary Allied Arts Council which performed in many school districts in the Province as part of the drama curriculum, and to the University of Alberta Studio Theatre which performed the comedy "The Thieves' Carnival" in 17 centres in the Province in the early summer.



## FIRE PREVENTION BRANCH

Under The Fire Prevention Act the Fire Commissioner has the responsibility for the enforcement of all laws of the province and the regulations thereunder relating to fire prevention. His office directs and encourages fire prevention measures, instructs in fire protection methods, carries out investigations of incendiary and suspected incendiary fires, compiles fire loss statistics and conducts a public education program of fire prevention and fire protection.

### FIRE LOSSES

The figures for the last three years are given below:-

<u>Year</u>	<u>Property Loss</u>	<u>Per Capita Loss</u>	<u>Loss of Life</u>	<u>Injuries</u>
1966	\$12,005,858	\$ 8.20	39	114
**1967	17,618,843	11.92	60	126
*1968	13,763,888	9.02	54	98

\*\* Corrected figure

\* Estimated figure

Estimated population (1968)	1,526,000
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It will be observed that according to information presently available there was a significant decrease in loss of life and in property damage in 1968 as compared with the previous year.

### INSPECTION ACTIVITIES

An active fire inspection program was conducted by the Inspection Division during 1968, together with fire prevention education. The following table shows inspections for the past three years:-

<u>Year</u>	<u>Buildings Inspected</u>	<u>Towns Inspected</u>	<u>Orders Written</u>	<u>Written Recommendations</u>
1966	2,649	68	85	4,476
1967	2,594	86	53	4,609
1968	2,759	77	40	6,141



## 1968 INSPECTIONS

Hospitals	193
Schools	880
Hotels	94
Government Buildings	68
Old Folks Homes	85
Fuel Oil Warehouses	307
Nurseries and Institutions	160
Mercantile Buildings	472
Industrial Buildings	36
Other Buildings	<u>464</u>
Total	<u>2,759</u>

These inspections are in addition to those conducted by the local fire chiefs in various villages, towns and cities. The inspectors have continued the practice of encouraging and training local assistants in the conduct of their own inspection work.

## FIRE PREVENTION EDUCATION

By means of lectures, film showings and demonstrations, the Fire Commissioner's office fostered fire prevention education at meetings which were arranged with local municipal groups. A number of new films were purchased to carry out these educational programs. The following table shows a comparison for the past three years:-

<u>Year</u>	<u>Meetings</u>	<u>No. of Film Showings</u>	<u>Attendance</u>
1966	117	65	5,493
1967	117	70	5,029
1968	297	93	7,055

Fire drills in schools, hospitals, theatres, institutions, dormitories and other buildings totalled 114. There were 21 demonstrations of first-aid fire fighting equipment and 38 demonstrations of evacuation procedures were presented.

The Fire Commissioner and his staff, with the co-operation of local fire departments, directed and promoted a vigorous Fire Prevention Week campaign. There were 82 Fire Prevention Week Reports collected by this office and forwarded to competition headquarters at Boston, Massachusetts.

Publicity bulletins were prepared regularly for the news media in co-operation with the Publicity Bureau.



## FIRE INVESTIGATIONS

Activities of the Fire Investigation Division in response to requests from fire chiefs or insurance adjusters to discover fire causes and for fire crimes control were as follows:-

Investigations conducted by Inspectors of this Branch	253
Investigations conducted by other law enforcement and fire protection agencies .....	<u>260</u>
Total Investigations Conducted .....	<u>513</u>

The following were the conclusions reported from the investigations:-

Incendiary Fires .....	199
(Arson ..... 158)	
(Suspected Arson .. 41)	
Accidental Causes or Unknown .....	244
Still under Investigation .....	<u>70</u>
Total Investigations Conducted .....	<u>513</u>

There were 47 charges laid against 44 persons (including 24 juveniles) for arson and allied offences. Of a total of 67 juveniles involved in the setting of incendiary fires, 47 were warned and not brought to court. One Fire Inquiry was held under section 12 of The Fire Prevention Act.

The Fire Commissioner acted as chairman of a Fire Crimes Committee of the ACFM/FC. Reports are exchanged between the provinces and trends observed. The decrease in the number of incendiary fires in Alberta during 1968 is part of a general trend across Canada.

## FIRE INSTRUCTION

Inspectors of the Fire Services Division were employed to assist fire department organizations in municipalities and in industry. The following table shows the special work of the inspectors employed by this division:-

<u>Year</u>	<u>Fire Depts. Inspected</u>	<u>Recommen- dations</u>	<u>Meetings re Equipment</u>	<u>Equipment Specifications Completed</u>
1966	213	36	31	23
1967	155	28	7	18
1968	210	10	8	10



The activities of inspectors employed by this office is further reported in the following breakdown of activities for the year:-

#### Fire Department Training

<u>Hours Lecture</u>	<u>Hours Drill</u>	<u>Hours Meeting</u>	<u>Films</u>	<u>Attendance</u>
268 1/2	607	389 3/4	130	3,816

#### ALBERTA FIRE TRAINING SCHOOL

131 individuals attended 6 courses at the Fire Training School held at the Agricultural School Buildings in Vermilion. 1,089 representatives of 192 fire departments in the province have now attended 45 courses which have been presented in the past few years at this training school.

#### PLAN CHECKING

A total of 574 plans for hotels, hospitals, schools and other assembly buildings were checked.

#### OTHER ACTIVITIES

Firemanship competitions were held at Alberta Hospital, Edmonton; Drumheller, Taber, Sherwood Park, Grande Prairie, Coleman, Fort Macleod and Red Deer. A Provincial Competition was held in 1968 involving winners from 7 district competitions. The competition was held at Red Deer and was won by Sherwood Park who received the Fire Commissioner's Centennial Shield and a Murray Bedard Memorial Shield.

Emergency Fire Services training and planning continued under direction of the Fire Commissioner. During the year 24 municipal plans were approved and 13 others were prepared for municipal control committee approval. Other activities include lectures on emergency fire services, attendance at exercises, control of the movement of fire training pumpers, and training assistance to fire chiefs.

#### THE LIGHTNING ROD ACT

There were five companies licensed to sell lightning rod materials in 1968. Licences were issued to 37 agents. There were 527 inspections of lightning rod installations during 1968 and 8 investigations of agents. Three agents were prosecuted for violation of The Lightning Rod Act.



## FUEL OIL TAX BRANCH

The Fuel Oil Tax Act (chapter 125 of the Revised Statutes, 1955) was repealed and replaced at the 1968 Session of the Legislature by The Fuel Oil Tax Act, 1968, which came into force on the 1st of June, 1968. The new Act has made necessary several changes in the statistical report for the calendar year 1968 and attention is drawn to the following explanatory notes:-

1. The figures given are for the full calendar year 1968. For the first five months of the year, tax was collected at the rates prescribed in the old Act and, for the last seven months, the new rates in The Fuel Oil Tax Act, 1968, were applied.
2. The figures given in the column headed "Total Gallons" do not compare with figures given in previous years because it was necessary to include approximately fifty-three million gallons of solvents, lubricating oils, bunker oil, asphalts, process oils, specialty oils and similar items which were not taxable prior to the 1st of June, 1968.
3. The new Act made necessary several changes in the categories of products listed on the left hand side of the first table. Categories have been added for "Naphtha and Solvents" and "Lubricating Oil" both of which were taxable for the first time in 1968 and the category "Diesel Fuel, Heating Oil etc." has been subdivided into two new categories "Diesel Fuel" and "Heating oil, stove oil etc.".
4. There are two additional figures in the table headed "Comparative Table of Sales of Fuel Oil Products to Consumers in Alberta"-
  - (a) The figure for "Non-Purple Fuel Oil Sales @ 3 Cents" is principally aviation fuel and railway diesel not previously taxed and formerly included under the category of "Non-purple Tax-exempt Fuel Oil Sales",
  - (b) The category shown for "Purple Fuel Oil Sales @ 3 Cents" represents items not taxable prior to the 1st of June, 1968, and which therefore would appear in previous years in the category "Purple Tax Exempt Fuel Oil Sales".



SALES OF FUEL OIL TO CONSUMERS IN ALBERTA

CALENDAR YEAR 1968

	Total Gallons	Taxable Gals Non-Purple @ 15¢ or 17¢	% of Total Sales	Taxable Gals Non-Purple @ 3 Cents	% of Total Sales	Tax Exempt Gallons Non-Purple	% of Total Sales	Taxable Gals Purple @ 3 Cents	% of Total Sales	Tax Exempt Gallons Purple	% of Total Sales
Motor Grade Gasoline	523,019,917	404,605,596	77.36			3,598,429	.69	70,672,506	13.51	44,143,386	8.44
Natural Gasoline	7,046,101			9,834	.14	7,021,063	99.65	12,261	.17	2,943	.04
Aviation Gasoline	7,929,051	66,555	.84	4,609,358	58.13	3,253,138	41.03				
Aviation Turbine Fuel	42,310,686	25,651	.06	19,027,628	44.97	23,257,407	54.97				
Naphtha and Solvents	1,089,091	53,052	4.87	789,771	72.52	246,268	22.61				
Diesel Fuel	198,177,088	31,335,433	15.81	19,491,801	9.84	20,723,241	10.46	56,865,338	28.69	69,761,275	35.20
Heating oil, stove oil etc.	20,032,172			19,335	.09	478,244	2.39	2,411,232	12.04	17,123,361	85.48
Kerosene	1,865,500	7,822	.43	120,848	6.48	1,554,444	83.32	182,386	9.77		
Liquefied Petroleum Gas	156,321,688	506,311	.32	4,467,225	2.86	151,348,152	96.82				
Other Fuels	58,810,279	97,539	.17	1,819,822	3.10	56,836,567	96.64	36,326	.06	20,025	.03
Lubricating Oil	6,711,380			6,711,380	100.00						
	<u>1,023,312,953</u>	<u>436,697,959</u>	<u>42.67</u>	<u>57,067,002</u>	<u>5.58</u>	<u>268,316,953</u>	<u>26.22</u>	<u>130,180,049</u>	<u>12.72</u>	<u>131,050,990</u>	<u>12.81</u>

COMPARATIVE TABLE OF SALES OF FUEL OIL PRODUCTS TO CONSUMERS IN ALBERTA

	1966	1967	1968
Gallons Purple Tax Exempt Fuel Oil Sales			131,050,990
Gallons Non-Purple Tax Exempt Fuel Oil Sales	268,059,561	264,591,125	268,316,953
Total Gallons Tax Exempt Sales	<u>261,381,429</u>	<u>250,853,898</u>	<u>399,367,943</u>
Total Gallons Non-Purple Fuel Oil Sales	529,440,990	515,445,023	436,697,959
(@ 15¢ or 17¢)	386,226,265	411,186,273	
Total Gallons Non-Purple Fuel Oil Sales @ 3 Cents			57,067,002
Total Gallons Purple Fuel Oil Sales @ 3 Cents	<u>386,226,265</u>	<u>411,186,273</u>	<u>130,180,049</u>
	915,667,255	926,631,296	623,945,010
			<u>1,023,312,953</u>



## GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

The Provincial Secretary is the Keeper of the Seal of the Province, which seal is affixed to certain classes of documents that bear the signature of the Lieutenant Governor. Five hundred and eighty-nine such documents were sealed in 1967, including Proclamations, warrants, commissions, certificates and writs.

Four hundred and seventy-six certificates of change of name were issued under The Change of Name Act, 1961, in 1968. Four hundred and twenty-three certificates of authentication were issued by the Deputy Provincial Secretary authenticating the signatures and appointments of notaries public.

Under the Alberta Survival Plan the Department has a responsibility for co-ordinating a program for the preservation of essential records for all Departments and Boards of Government. Exposures of documents for preservation in security storage under this program amounted to 673,954 in 1968 as compared with 932,340 in 1967.



## INSURANCE BRANCH

The office of the Superintendent of Insurance is charged with the responsibility of licensing companies, insurance agents and insurance adjusters in the Province, taxing insurance companies and generally regulating the business of insurance in Alberta as provided by The Alberta Insurance Act and The Insurance Corporations Tax Act. The Superintendent of Insurance is also the official responsible for the licensing of real estate agents and salesmen and for the regulation of the real estate business under The Real Estate Agents' Licensing Act.

### THE ALBERTA INSURANCE ACT

The Alberta Insurance Act requires all insurance companies, insurance agents and insurance adjusters to be licensed. Qualification by examination under Alberta Regulation 192/59 is required of all new applicants for insurance agents' certificates of authority except for the classes of livestock, hail, life or disability insurance including sickness and accident insurance. Of the total number of new applicants in 1968, 14% failed to pass the examination or failed to write it.

Qualification by examination under Alberta Regulation 244/63 is required of all new applicants for insurance adjusters' certificates of authority. Of the total number of new applicants in 1968, 26% failed to pass the examination or failed to write it.

Operations of the Superintendent's office are planned to work co-operatively with the other provinces of Canada to maintain uniformity in the enactment and the administration of insurance laws in all of the common law provinces of Canada.

The 51st Annual Conference of the Provincial Superintendents of Insurance was held in Toronto, Ontario, in September, 1968, and was attended by the Alberta Superintendent of Insurance.

Insurance premiums for all classes of insurance written in 1967 were \$200,006,834 as compared with \$180,326,679 in 1966, an increase of 10.91%. Total life premiums, excluding fraternal, in 1967 were \$84,019,730 as compared with \$78,144,150 in 1966, an increase of 7.52%.

Statistics reflecting some of the functions of the branch under this Act and the operation of the industry follow as Appendix "A".



## THE REAL ESTATE AGENTS' LICENSING ACT

The Act was amended at the 1968 Session by

- (a) removing the provisions for continuous licences for agents and salesmen and replacing them with a requirement for annual licences, and
- (b) adding new provisions requiring the submission of an annual audited report on each agent's books, accounts and trust transactions.

These provisions will enable the Superintendent to establish better control of the operation of real estate agents and salesmen.

Qualification by examination under Alberta Regulation 25/59 is required by all new applicants for licence under the Act. Approximately 14% of the total number of applicants for new licences in 1968 either failed to pass the examination or failed to write it.

Statistics reflecting branch activities under this Act follow as Appendix "B".

## THE INSURANCE CORPORATIONS TAX ACT

Under the Act insurers licensed in Alberta, other than fraternal societies, are assessed a tax of 2% of their gross premiums receivable, excluding marine insurance and annuities and less dividends, return premiums and reinsurance ceded to companies licensed in Alberta. For the calendar year ending December 31, 1968, the tax collected was \$3,606,803.18, an increase of \$297,619.43 or 8.99% over the collection for the previous calendar year.



## APPENDIX "A"

### INSURANCE COMPANY LICENCES

	Calendar <u>1967</u>	Year <u>1968</u>
Dominion Registered Companies	313	306
Provincial Companies	11	11
Extra-Provincial Companies	<u>21</u>	<u>19</u>
	345	336
New Companies Admitted	11	8
Companies withdrawn during year	3	5
Changes in name	1	3
Companies withdrawn, merged or not renewing at end of year	14	19
Insurers renewing at end of year	328	312

### LICENSING OF INSURANCE AGENTS AND ADJUSTERS

Agents' Certificates of Authority issued February 15, 1967 to February 15, 1968	7,774
Decrease from previous year	75
Agents' Certificates of Authority issued February 15, 1968 to December 31, 1968	7,912
Adjusters' Certificates issued June 1, 1967 to June 1, 1968	245
Increase from previous year	2
Adjusters' Certificates issued June 1, 1968 to December 31, 1968	219

### ADVISORY BOARD

Insurance Agents and Adjusters	Nil
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# QUALIFYING EXAMINATIONS FOR INSURANCE AGENTS

	Calendar Year	
	<u>1967</u>	<u>1968</u>
Total Candidates	452	451
Qualified	339	360
Failed to qualify	75	65
Candidates pending as of December 31	38	26

# QUALIFYING EXAMINATIONS FOR INSURANCE ADJUSTERS

	Calendar Year	
	<u>1967</u>	<u>1968</u>
Total Candidates	44	44
Qualified	27	30
Failed to qualify	4	11
Candidates pending as of December 31	13	3

# INSURANCE COMPLAINTS

	Calendar Year	
	<u>1967</u>	<u>1968</u>
Complaints received	555	603
Charges entered	4	1
Charges dismissed or withdrawn	2	Nil
Cases pending	Nil	Nil
Convictions obtained	2	1
Letters of warning	38	41
Fines paid	\$20.00	\$35.00
Jail Sentences	2 years suspended sentence	Nil

# PREMIUMS WRITTEN

To the 345 insurers licensed in Alberta in 1967, Albertans paid \$200,006,834 in insurance premiums. This figure, compiled from the Annual Statements filed by the companies, represents an increase over the 1966 volume of business of 10.91%. Based on the December 31, 1967, Alberta population of 1,497,369 (Department of Municipal Affairs) the per capita insurance premiums in Alberta in 1967 was \$133.57, an increase of \$10.04 from the previous year. A comparison of premiums written by classes for 1966 and 1967 follows:



# CLASSES OF INSURANCE (OTHER THAN LIFE)

	1966	1967	% Increase or Decrease
Accident and Sickness	\$ 19,649,891	\$ 20,945,494	+ 6.59
Aircraft	756,148	1,137,849	+ 50.48
Automobile	46,557,585	53,552,336	+ 15.02
Boiler and Machinery	716,239	870,414	+ 21.52
Credit	26,192	38,336	- 31.68
Earthquake	2,712	1,689	- 38.09
Explosion	94	-	-
Fire	14,876,403	16,776,034	+ 12.77
Forgery	8,353	10,967	+ 31.29
Guarantee	2,089,438	2,235,489	+ 6.99
Hail	788,981	844,070	+ 6.98
Inland Transportation	1,448,832	1,753,747	+ 21.04
Liability	4,212,584	4,811,432	+ 14.21
Livestock	76,853	174,770	+ 127.41
Mortgage	67,996	90,264	+ 32.75
Personal Property	5,428,543	6,523,542	+ 20.17
Plate Glass	279,096	338,503	+ 21.28
Real Property	2,926,538	3,403,032	+ 16.28
Riot	-	-	-
Sprinkler Leakage	-	-	-
Theft	418,076	470,535	+ 12.55
Title	56	7,395	+ 13105.36
Weather	151	-	-
Windstorm	15,053	11,429	- 24.07
Total other than Life	\$100,345,814	\$113,997,327	+ 13.64

## LIFE INSURANCE

	1966	1967	% Increase or Decrease
Ordinary	\$ 52,877,572	\$ 55,957,378	+ 5.82
Group	11,608,784	12,482,460	+ 7.53
Industrial	749,419	693,094	- 7.51
Annuities	12,908,375	14,886,798	+ 15.33
Total Life	\$ 78,144,150	\$ 84,019,730	+ 7.50
Total Fraternal	1,836,715	1,989,777	+ 8.33
Total all classes	\$180,326,679	\$200,006,834	+ 10.91



## APPENDIX "B"

### LICENSING OF REAL ESTATE AGENTS AND SALESMEN

Continuous licences issued	
January 1, 1968 to September 30, 1968	
Agents	87
Salesmen	<u>1,259</u>
Total licences issued for period	1,346
Continuous licences in effect as of September 30, 1968	
Agents	702
Salesmen	<u>1,961</u>
Total licences in effect as of September 30, 1968	2,663

### ADVISORY BOARDS

Real Estate Agents and Salesmen	4
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### QUALIFYING EXAMINATIONS FOR REAL ESTATE AGENTS AND SALESMEN

	Calendar Year	
	<u>1967</u>	<u>1968</u>
Total Candidates	1,024	1,207
Qualified	847	1,013
Failed to qualify	150	164
Candidates pending as at December 31	27	30

### REAL ESTATE COMPLAINTS

	Calendar Year	
	<u>1967</u>	<u>1968</u>
Complaints received	198	163
Charges entered	23	8
Charges dismissed or withdrawn	1	1
Convictions obtained	12	17
Cases pending	10	Nil
Letters of Warning	61	36
Fines paid	\$390.00	\$170.00
Jail sentences	Nil	2 years penitentiary (8 charges concurrent) 1 year suspended sentence (6 charges concurrent)



## JUBILEE AUDITORIUMS

The Jubilee Auditoriums in Calgary and Edmonton are administered by an Auditorium Management Committee appointed by Order in Council and consisting of the Deputy Provincial Secretary who acts as Chairman, the Deputy Attorney General, the Deputy Minister of Public Works, Mr. R. R. Moore, and Mr. E. R. Hughes.

The following table demonstrates the extent to which the buildings were used in the calendar year 1968 and comparative figures are shown for previous years:-

### SOUTHERN AUDITORIUM

	1965		1966		1967		1968	
	No. of Sessions	Total Attendance	No. of Sessions	Total Attendance	No. of Sessions	Total Attendance	No. of Sessions	Total Attendance
Theatre	236	304,328	283	301,749	328	431,661	244	343,592
Lower Lobby and Exhibit Area	131	69,890	119	50,723	97	77,301	71	58,140
Social Room	203	65,345	179	60,960	196	72,297	146	68,717
Banquet Room	149	21,531	139	19,030	117	4,990	100	6,835
Club Room	135	16,303	124	5,089	101	11,424	176	18,847
Assembly Room	131	12,950	136	11,961	172	16,209	124	17,040
Rehearsal Room	76	4,924	75	5,364	141	10,433	183	17,384
	<u>1,061</u>	<u>495,271</u>	<u>1,055</u>	<u>454,876</u>	<u>1,152</u>	<u>624,315</u>	<u>1,044</u>	<u>530,555</u>

### NORTHERN AUDITORIUM

	1965		1966		1967		1968	
	No. of Sessions	Total Attendance	No. of Sessions	Total Attendance	No. of Sessions	Total Attendance	No. of Sessions	Total Attendance
Theatre	292	387,048	288	354,412	347	412,921	329	418,182
Lower Lobby and Exhibit Area	194	73,805	300	136,631	302	104,180	144	92,815
Social Room	258	65,407	263	50,238	242	52,830	205	54,595
Banquet Room	144	9,640	163	10,155	141	11,095	124	10,613
Club Room	190	17,557	218	13,938	223	20,472	158	14,279
Assembly Room	171	10,464	192	11,725	206	13,549	171	10,903
Rehearsal Room	215	15,275	214	12,208	242	12,885	184	10,265
Musicians Lounge					6	450	6	600
	<u>1,464</u>	<u>579,196</u>	<u>1,638</u>	<u>589,307</u>	<u>1,709</u>	<u>628,382</u>	<u>1,321</u>	<u>612,252</u>



It will be observed that although there is a wide variation in the number of sessions and the extent to which individual portions of the Auditoriums are used, there is nevertheless a steady increase in the total number of persons attending functions in the Auditoriums. The unusual increase in 1967 may perhaps be explained by extra events arranged for Centennial Year.

The facilities at the Auditoriums continue to accommodate every type of activity. The theatres were used for such functions as film shows, conventions, University convocations, religious services and trade shows, as well as for stage plays, variety shows (professional and amateur), musical theatre and concerts of every kind, while in the other facilities in each building there were such events as banquets and receptions, art shows, examinations in music, dances, recitals and fashion shows.



## ADVISORY BOARD ON OBJECTIONABLE PUBLICATIONS

The Advisory Board on Objectionable Publications was established in 1954. Its function has been to control, as far as possible, the sale of objectionable comics, tabloids and magazines in the Province and to foster a public awareness of the danger inherent in permitting young people to read unwholesome material. The Board has a working arrangement with wholesale distributors of magazines, comic books and tabloids whereby the distributors accept recommendations made by the Board and voluntarily refrain from distributing titles which the Board has deemed "objectionable".

In 1968, the Board held four meetings at which 77 publications were reviewed. 52, or 67%, of those reviewed were held to be objectionable. The list of publications withdrawn from circulation now contains 209 titles.



# PROVINCIAL MUSEUM AND ARCHIVES OF ALBERTA

The Provincial Museum and Archives was established for two main purposes; firstly, to collect and preserve specimens, artifacts and documents relating to Alberta; and secondly, by exhibition, research, educational programs, and reference services, to increase and disseminate knowledge of Alberta's natural and human history.

As reported in last year's Annual Report, the new building was opened to the public in December of 1967. In its first full year of operation in 1968, the institution received a total of 308,337 visitors. 5,028 was the largest attendance in a single day. It is evident that the Museum is popular with the public.

## ADMINISTRATION DIVISION

This Division is responsible for the general administration of the Museum, including the recruitment and selection of staff, security measures and the operation of the bookshop. The bookshop has 160 titles in stock and during 1968, 1,817 books and 14,507 brochures on the Museum were sold. Total revenue amounted to \$13,306.15, made up of sales of books, cards, native crafts and reproductions, and included charges for Archives copying services.

## NATURAL HISTORY CURATORIAL DIVISION

This Division is responsible for the scientific work of field collecting, identification, organizing the collections, research, preparing specimens and writing the story themes for exhibits.

419 zoology specimens were received, 97 accessions were recorded, 153 birds and mammals were mounted, and 163 study skins were prepared. Casts and mounts were made of reptiles, amphibians and fish, and a substantial osteological collection prepared.

967 sheets of botanical specimens were registered, and field collecting of materials for several habitat exhibits was commenced.

850 items were collected in 19 accessions in paleontology. A partialcarnivorous dinosaur specimen was taken from the South Saskatchewan River valley, and the skeleton of a Lambeosaurus, a herbivorous dinosaur, previously received from the National Museum of Canada was prepared.

375 geological specimens were collected in 21 accessions.



## HUMAN HISTORY CURATORIAL DIVISION

This Division carries out field collecting, documents and prepares artifacts, carries out research and compiles the story content for exhibits in the fields of ethnology, history and archaeology. The Division also supervises the provincial historic sites program.

1,090 artifacts in 103 accessions were added to the ethnological collection. A substantial proportion were ceremonial and religious items, including 132 Blackfoot items, 517 Blood, 184 Peigan, 2 Kootenai, 79 Sarsi, 156 Cree, and 20 Athabasca items.

3,000 historical artifacts in 99 accessions were received.

## EXHIBIT PRODUCTION DIVISION

The design, fabrication and installation of exhibits in the exhibit galleries, having a total area of 45,000 square feet, comes under the supervision of the Exhibit Production Division.

The museum sculptor has completed a large bronze pioneer equestrian group representing Human History and entitled "The Stake". This was installed in the orientation gallery on the ground floor. A second work of sculpture, a large Pronghorn group, representing Natural History, was completed ready for bronze casting. Design work is proceeding on the major central sculpture intended for this area. Additions were made and improvements carried out to the Indian galleries on the ground floor, and the Natural History galleries on the second floor were re-arranged and expanded. A new gallery "Animal Adaptations" was added, and the new temporary gallery "Dinosaurs of Alberta" was opened.

In the second floor Historical galleries, improvements and additions took place in all areas. Two galleries on horse drawn vehicles entitled "Vehicles of Utility" and "Vehicles of Prestige" were installed.

The two Feature Galleries on the second floor were used to exhibit loan collections from the Smithsonian Institution, the Glenbow-Alberta Institute and the Saskatchewan Arts Board, and all were the centres of popular interest. The Museum itself provided three colourful exhibitions on the subjects of "Ukrainian Folk Art and Handicrafts of Alberta", "Latvian Handicrafts and Art" and "Toys of Yesteryear", the latter being a special exhibition for the Christmas season.



## EXTENSION DIVISION

The prime responsibility for public information work lies with the Extension Division. During the first year of operation, 1,029 groups consisting of 38,922 individuals toured the galleries under the supervision of the Extension Division. There were 529 groups of school children (26,015 individuals) and 248 groups of other children (6,894 individuals). 118 organizations with 3,742 people received guided tours and there were 134 casual gallery tours (2,271 people).

The Museum auditorium was used for films, slides and talks to visiting parties of school children and, during the summer and school holidays, for the exhibition of general films on museum subjects.

The Division publishes an Information Bulletin series and uses press, radio and television to publicize the exhibits.

All divisions assisted in educational programs and various forms of assistance to the public. 14 grants were made to societies to assist in publishing local histories; 1 grant to assist in marking historic sites; 1 grant for tape recording; 2 grants to museums. Amongst the annual awards by the American Association for State and Local History, 5 were given to organizations and individuals in Alberta. Advisory services were provided to local museums on request, two training seminars were held and technical literature was distributed.

## HISTORIC SITES

This program provides for research into and marking of historic sites in the Province, and the maintenance of historical signs and cairns. Archaeological research was continued, particularly on the fur trade sites owned by the Province. Over 3,000 artifacts were recovered in 18 accessions. Extensive excavations were undertaken at the site of the White Earth trading posts, near Smoky Lake, consisting of the post known as "Terre Blanche" owned by the North West Company, and the "Edmonton House" of the Hudson's Bay Company, both occupied between the years 1810 and 1813.

A brief site survey of the Stony Plain region was conducted, and a prehistoric quarry workshop was excavated. Surveys were also made in the vicinities of Writing-on-Stone, Pakowki Lake, Cardston, Drayton Valley, Stony Plain, Sedgewick and Fort Saskatchewan.

A start was made on a modest program to make measured drawings of important buildings threatened by destruction or urban development. Drawings and photographs were made of 5 such structures.



There was one meeting of the Historical Advisory Committee, at which recommendations were made on site marking and related matters.

Marking, maintenance and replacement of signs was continued. The following are relevant statistics:-

Total new historical and geological signs erected	1
Existing rustic signs reworded and/or repainted	17
Signs removed for relocation	2
Total rustic historical and geological sign sites	73
Total historical cairn sites	31

#### PROVINCIAL ARCHIVES

The Provincial Archives Act gives to the Archivist the responsibility

- (a) to seek out and preserve documents having a bearing on the history of the Province; and
- (b) to use the materials in his custody to stimulate public interest in the history of the Province.

Since the first deposit in 1963, the Archives has acquired records and papers covering 3,300 linear feet of shelf space (over half of which came from Provincial Government sources), 2578 rolls of micro-film, 151 audio-tapes, and many thousands of photographs and maps.

The Provincial Archives Act divides documents arising in the course of public business into two categories for purposes of disposal. "Public documents" are certificates under the Seal of the Province, legal documents, securities, vouchers, cheques and accounting records, while "official documents" are any documents created in the administration of public affairs other than "public documents". A Department may either destroy an official document, with the sanction of the Public Documents Committee, or transfer it to the Archives by direction of the Lieutenant Governor in Council. Public documents, on the other hand, may only be destroyed by Order of the Lieutenant Governor in Council, or transferred to the Archives by direction of the Lieutenant Governor in Council upon the recommendation of the Public Documents Committee. The Committee consists of the Provincial Archivist, the Deputy Attorney General, the Deputy Provincial Auditor and the Provincial Librarian. Since the 17th of May, 1966, when the Committee was formed, pursuant to section 6 of The Provincial Archives Act, the Committee has made 91 formal recommendations, 34 of them during the year 1968.



It is encouraging to note that an increasing amount of material has been received from sources other than the Provincial Government. During 1968, these included the personal papers of Mrs. Cornelia R. Wood, and of Mr. L. C. Halmrast, both formerly Members of the Legislative Assembly, the records of the Edmonton Y.M.C.A. and the Y.W.C.A., and records from the county offices of Lethbridge, Athabasca and Wetaskiwin.



## PUBLIC RELATIONS BRANCH

### FEDERAL-PROVINCIAL GRANTS PROGRAM

After the Centennial Branch closed on March 31, 1968, the program has been administered by the Public Relations Branch. The final statistics for the program were:-

Projects approved	433
Projects completed which qualified for the grant applied for	375
Projects completed at a lower cost than originally estimated, or not completed	42
Projects abandoned	16
Total of Provincial and Federal grants	\$2,779,573.18
Estimated total cost of all Centennial projects in the Province	\$8,450,570.00

In accordance with the Agreement with the Federal Government, the date fixed for the completion of projects and the submission of claims was December 31, 1968.

### GOVERNMENT ENTERTAINMENT

The Public Relations Branch administers the program of Government-sponsored dinners and lunches for national and international conventions and meetings held in the Province. The marked increase in the number of these functions reflects the increasing popularity of the Province as a convention centre. In 1967 the Government gave assistance to 138 functions and in 1968 to 162 functions.



## PROVINCIAL FLAG

During 1967 the Province adopted a banner consisting of the Armorial Ensigns of the Province (as assigned by Royal Warrant in 1907) on a deep blue background. The banner was adopted as the Provincial Flag by The Flag Act, assented to on May 1, 1968, and proclaimed in force with effect from June 1, 1968. The Branch is preparing for public distribution a pamphlet on flag etiquette and protocol.

## LEGISLATIVE BUILDING TOURS

The number of visitors to the Legislative Building continued to increase during 1968. General tours, supervised by the Branch, are available every day. There were 36,132 visitors to the building in 1966, 56,808 in 1967, and 57,968 in 1968.

## OTHER SERVICES

The Branch distributes descriptive and informative literature on the Province and Government Services by mail, at the counter in the Legislative Building, and to visitors to conventions and meetings. The public continues to make good use of the Government Information Telephone Service operated by the Branch in the Legislative Building and over 150 calls each day were received during the year.



# REPORT OF THE GEOGRAPHIC BOARD OF ALBERTA

The Board was appointed by Order in Council No. 254/46 and is regulated by The Geographical Names Act. The reports for the years 1946 to 1958 (inclusive) appeared in the Second to Fourteenth Annual Reports of the Department of Economic Affairs. Since 1959, the report has appeared as an appendix to the Annual Report of the Provincial Secretary.

The duties of the Board include:-

- (a) The collecting recording and collating of information concerning names of geographical features in Alberta.
- (b) Collaborating with the Canadian Permanent Committee on Geographical Names concerning the choice of new geographical names.
- (c) Eliminating alternate, undesirable and duplicate names, adopting desirable changes in the spelling of names and checking names to see whether features are properly named.

The membership of the Board during the year was:-

Mr. John H. Holloway, M.Sc., Chairman (to October 31, 1968)  
Mr. E. J. Holmgren, M.A., B.L.S., Legislative Librarian, Secretary  
Mr. Duncan R. Innes, M.A.  
Mr. C. Walton Youngs, D.L.S., A.L.S., Director of Surveys  
Mr. T. A. Drinkwater, Director, Technical Division of Lands & Forests

Mr. Holloway had been a member of the Board for many years, and its Chairman since 1965. He found it necessary to resign because he has moved to Victoria, British Columbia. The Board acknowledges his outstanding work over the years and thanks him for his major contribution to the work of the Board.

The annual meeting of the Canadian Permanent Committee on Geographical Names was held in Edmonton in 1968 and considered:-

1. Subdivision Names in Urban Areas. These were accorded the status of temporary usage but will not appear in decision lists nor in gazetteers.
2. Principles of Procedures of Nomenclature. The reprinting of this publication and its possible revision was discussed and it was agreed that Principle No. 3 was to be strengthened by adding the requirement that established names which had proved acceptable and satisfactory should not be changed.
3. The use of names of living persons and the procedure in submitting names.
4. Abbreviations in the Gazetteer of Canada series.

The Board is grateful to the Surveys Branch of the Department of Highways for its assistance in the preparation of supplements to the Gazetteer of Canada and for assistance in checking of maps. Mr. W. Bogdan, the Cartographer, and his staff have been particularly helpful.

Following is a list of names adopted during 1968 together with their locations:-



NAME	FEATURE	LOCATION	POSITION
Butcher Creek	Creek	Flows NE. into Red Deer River	51 59 - 114 23
Fish Lake	Lake	NE. of Sullivan L.	52 41 - 111 21
Icefall Mountain	Mountain	W. of Ram River Glacier	51 50 - 116 13
Klein Lake	Lake	E. of Didsbury	51 37 - 115 21
Lathom Lake	Lake	NW. of Cassils	50 43 - 112 18
Nordic Ridge	Ridge	NW. of Ram River Glacier	51 51 - 116 12
Peskett, Mount	Mountain	W. of Siffleur River	51 57 - 116 28
San Francisco Lake	Lake	NW. of Cassils	50 35 - 112 08
Spring Hill Canal	Irrigation Canal	NW. of Cassils	50 41 - 112 11
Ueland Reservoir	Reservoir	S. of Indian L.	50 36 - 112 50
<u>Name Changes</u>			
Heningers Reservoir NOT	Reservoir	E. of Verdigris L.	49 12 - 111 34
Heninger's Reservoir			
Huestis, Mount	Mountain	E. of Ram River Glacier	51 50 - 116 11
NOT Ram Peak			







